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OF OPERATION	)	

## **AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 17, 2003, it is requested that the claims be amended as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1 - 4 and 10, as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A flow machine comprising:

a compressor, said compressor having an intake duct;

at least one turbine;

an exhaust duct connected to the at least one turbine directly or through intermediate elements;

a first booster stage arranged in the intake duct of the compressor; and

a second booster stage arranged in the exhaust gas duct, or in an additional duct of the exhaust duct.

